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Riesel Wins in OPC Balloting



New OPC President

In a close race, *Victor Riesel* was voted in as next year's OPC president.

His vote was 427, against the 418 vote of his competitor, *Ralph Jules Frantz*.

The three vice-presidents elected for the next term are *Joseph Newman*, first with 595 votes, *William Laurence*, second with 586 votes and *Hal Lehrman* third with 567. *Mary Hornaday* elected secretary, 422 votes; *George Bookman*, 407.

Six governors elected were *Will Oursler*, 450 votes; *Morgan Beatty*, 438; *Henry Gellermann*, 381; *Allan Jackson*, 320; *Larry Blochman*, 317; and *Elmer Lower*, 315.

First alternate is *Cornell Capa*, who polled 314 votes; second, *Irene Kuhn*, with 298; third, *Anita Diamant Berke*, with 288, and fourth, *William Brooks*, with 268.

Results were read at Wednesday night's Annual Meeting and posted downstairs immediately afterward.

It was noted at the meeting that *Lehrman's* vacancy as a governor (his term has another year) would move up the first alternate. This would be effected by the Board of Governors at its next meeting.

'66 Awards Cite Top Newsmen

VIET NAM REPORTERS WIN IN MOST CATEGORIES

Three honors outside the regular categories have been made this year by the OPC in its 1966 awards for distinguished achievement in foreign journalism.

One was a special award to Brig. Gen. *David Sarnoff*, RCA Board Chairman, "in high respect and gratitude" for his pioneering in electronic journalism.

A special mention went to *Dickey Chapelle*, reporter-photographer who was killed by a field mine while advancing with a Marine company in Viet Nam last November. "Rarely have daring, integrity, efficiency and human warmth been as perfectly matched as in our friend and colleague, *Dickey Chapelle*," the judges said. "She deserves a separate tribute all her own." She had reported in recent years for *The Reader's Digest*, *Life*, and *The National Geographic*.

Judges said they also felt that the National Educational Television color film, "India - Writings on the Sand,"

deserved commendation in a category of its own. This study of India's population explosion was produced by *David Hardy*, filmed by *David Westphal* and narrated by *Robert Ryan*. Executive producer was *Charles Vaughan*.

Awards were revealed and presented at Friday night's Annual Awards Dinner at the Waldorf-Astoria. (A full report on the dinner itself will be in next week's *Bulletin*.)

The top-rated Polk and Capa awards, citing winners for bravery in accomplishing their assignments, went to *Morley Safer* and two of his CBS News crews, and *Larry Burrows* of *Life*. *Safer* also won a separate award for best television reporting. It was the second Capa Award win for *Burrows*, who was similarly honored in 1964.

The list of awards and citations includes:

CLASS 1. Best daily newspaper or wire service reporting from abroad - *Richard Critchfield*, *Washington Star*

Asia correspondent, for his series of articles from Viet Nam.

Citation to *Stuart Loory*, *New York Herald Tribune*, for a series on the Trans-Siberian railroad.

CLASS 2. Best daily newspaper or wire service photographic reporting from abroad - *Kyoichi Sawada*, UPI, for his photo coverage in Viet Nam.

Citation to *James A. Bourdier*, AP, for camera work in the Dominican Republic. For the same work, he also won a Capa Award Citation.

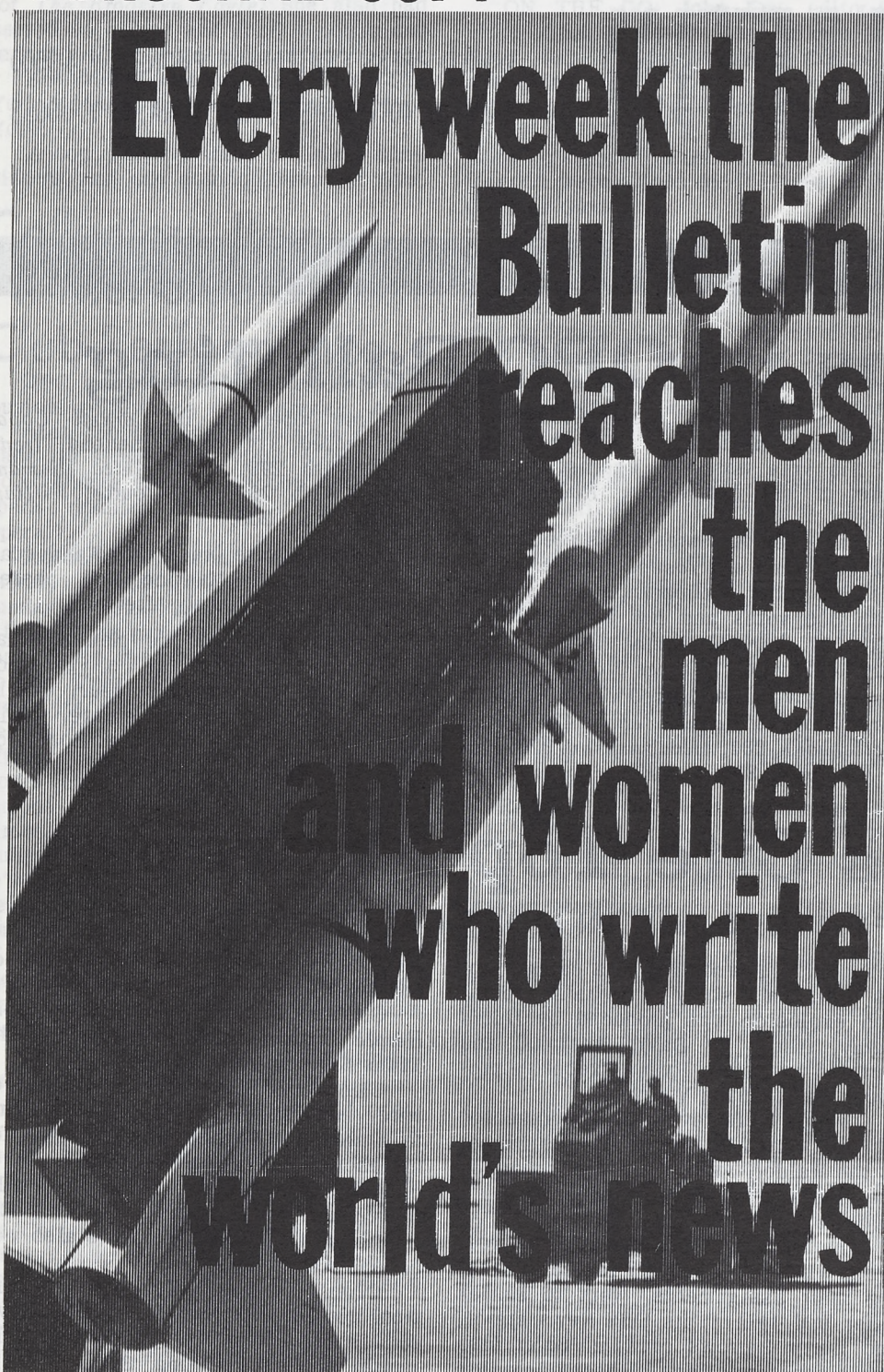
CLASS 3. Best television reporting from abroad - *Morley Safer*, CBS News for his films from Viet Nam, "The Helicopter and the Dying Soldier," and "The Burning of the Village of Cam Ne."

CLASS 4. Best radio reporting from abroad - *Richard Valeriani*, NBC News, for his coverage of the civil war in the Dominican Republic.

Citation to *John Laurence*, CBS News, for his Viet Nam reporting.

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NEWS NOTES

2 NY Hotels Offer Special Discounts To OPC Members

Two midtown New York hotels have offered special discount rates for OPC members, and these offers have been approved by the Board of Governors.

They are the Hotel Bedford and The Roosevelt Hotel. Discounts apply to both single occupancy and family rates.

The Bedford, on 40th Street east of Park Avenue, is offering small suites with kitchenettes, bath, air conditioning and TV.

The Roosevelt, located at Madison Avenue and 46th Street, is offering modernized rooms, bath, air conditioning and TV.

Reservations may be made direct by OPC members who show their membership cards or write a letter. The Roosevelt offers its own credit card to any member who applies.

The Club will vouch for members as a reference service but cannot guarantee reservation costs or credit charges.

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CLUB COLOR TV ROOM

The Board also approved a plan to open a fifth floor suite at the Club for use as a color TV lounge.

The lounge will be limited to members only and will include part-time bar service.

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DETROIT WELCOME

The Detroit Press Club has offered a first drink on the house to any OPC member who drops in at their new headquarters at 516 Howard Street in downtown Detroit.

The invitation came recently from Ben Phlegar, secretary of the Detroit Club.

The club there is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 1 a.m., with food service from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.

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ON FLIGHT COMMITTEE

Four members have been added to the committee to plan the OPC South American Press Tour this summer, according to Chairman *Madeline D. Ross*.

They include *Adm. H.B. Miller*, Special Projects Director, Pan American Airways; *Robert S. Kane*, author of the "A to Z" travel books and travel editor, *Cue*; *Dewitt Davidson*, travel expert, and *Lou Garcia*, Panagra PR director.

Tentative flight plans call for a tour of seven or eight countries in South America in August.

New York Scene

Mon., April 25 - Cocktail party opening cartoon exhibition benefit mounted by National Cartoonists Society and Newspaper Women's Club. 5:30 p.m.

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Thurs., April 28 - Music Night, American songs by new American composers (Metropolitan Opera) cancelled.

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Fri., April 29 - Korean Reunion Dinner. 6 p.m. Cocktails; 7:30 Dinner. (See page 8 story)

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Wed., May 25 - Luncheon, with John Hohenberg, secretary of the Pulitzer Advisory Board. Topic: The Flow of News Between Asia and the United States. 12:30 p.m.

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All reservations not cancelled 24 hours in advance will be charged to members' accounts.

EMERGENCY COMMITTEE FORMS TO AID MERGER CASUALTIES

For the fourth time in four years, the OPC has taken the initiative in organizing an Emergency Placement Committee to help relocate editorial employees and news photographers who now face job losses as a result of the three-newspaper merger set for Monday.

This may be the greatest editorial job crisis ever faced by New York City, since several hundred newspaper employees face dismissal. As a result, OPC President *Merrill Mueller* calls on all members to help the Committee in a job hunt which promises to last for several months.

Steve Korsen, Borden's PR director and chairman of the OPC's regular Placement Committee, and *Henry Gellermann*, Bache & Co.'s PR vice president, have been named co-chairmen of the Emergency Committee by Mueller. Korsen last week set the OPC plan in action by asking presidents of eleven related professional groups to join the Committee, and then by circulating a letter to all employers of editorial and photographic talents in the metropolitan area, urging them to fill openings from the ranks of the displaced newspaper employees.

The Committee's program is based on a self-help principle to be put to work by each of the eleven professional organizations. Each has been advised to register dislocated members, listing names, addresses and phone numbers, as well as work skills and specialties so that immediate contact can be made when job offers come to their attention.

OPC members affected by the merger are requested to register with the Club in this way, and by submitting resumes to the Committee. Members who know of job openings are urged to call Korsen at MU 7-4100 or Gellermann at 797-3600. The Committee's quest is primarily for permanent jobs but part-time or freelance assignments will also be in demand. The OPC will exchange job information with each of the participating groups. The New York City Emergency Newspaper Placement Committee includes: Harold Phelan, Newspaper Reporters Association; Harold Gold, Financial Writers Association; Eugene Haggerty, Society of the Silurians; *Rosalind Massow*, Newspaper Women's Club; Daniel Grossi, Press Photographers Association; Ed Silverman, Radio-Newsreel TV Working Press; Tom Coleman, Deadline Club, NYC chapter of Sigma Delta Chi; *Anita Diamant Berke*, Theta Sigma Phi; Terry Mayer, Publicity Club of New York; *Robert Fitz Gibbon*, New York Chapter, Public Relations Society of America, and Mueller, representing the OPC.

This Committee represents essentially the same groups which assisted professionals during the 1962-63 and 1965 strikes, and when *The New York Mirror* ceased publication in 1963.

Time and AP photographer Jim Bourdier were also in Guatemala for the presidential election, and Time's Dick Duncan made the Colombian congressional election.

Hal Hendrix of Scripps-Howard by-lined recent stories from Panama and Mexico. Hendrix, Dubois and ABC's Sigale, Stanford and Sullivan covered the November OAS conference in Rio de Janeiro. Sigale broke away to accompany Sen. Robert Kennedy through Brazil and Venezuela.

Miami-based newsmen have made frequent trips to the Dominican Republic since the revolution began in April 1965. All three American newsmen injured in Santo Domingo were Miamians—Miami Herald Latin American editor Al Burt and Herald chief photographer Doug Kennedy were shot, and UPI reporter **Matt Kenny** suffered a dislocated shoulder while diving for cover in a separate incident.

WORLD-WIDE TICKER

Edited by JERRY KRISKA

BERLIN from GARY STINDT

Back in Berlin after medical check-ups in New York and returning to work is **James Robinson** of NBC News, Berlin. All his friends are delighted to see him back in good health. **Loyal Gould**, NBC News correspondent from Chicago, who was pinchhitting for Jim during his illness, is returning to his assignment in the windy city.

The American correspondents in Berlin had a major move on their hands when the "Dean," **Joe Fleming**, UPI bureau chief, announced that the regular daily round table luncheon group called "Stammtisch" had to leave their favorite headquarters at the "Koenigspilsner" restaurant because the building was being torn down and the restaurant closed. Quickly Fleming organized a restaurant search party and in no time came up with a new luncheon meeting place called "Die Schildkroete" ("Turtle") restaurant at the corner of Kurfuerstendamm and Uhlandstrasse right in the very center of West Berlin. The "Stammtisch" is meeting there again effective immediately, and all colleagues, whether OPC or not, when visiting Berlin are cordially invited to drop in anytime after 1 o'clock. The match-game, which is

the high point of these luncheons, is naturally being continued, and this correspondent can report that during the first game **Joe Fleming** went out first and Robert Lackenbach of Black Star lost the match-game.

MIAMI from MERWIN K. SIGALE

A handful of Miami-based correspondents have been making the rounds of Caribbean and Latin American hot-spots.

Caribbean and Latin American bureaus are maintained here by ABC News, Time-Life, Scripps-Howard Newspapers and the Chicago Tribune. The Miami Herald, AP and UPI also move Miami-based personnel into the area as needed.

For traveling Miami hands, the past year has produced such major stories as the Dominican revolution, the Yarmouth Castle sinking in the Bahamas, the Cuban refugee sealift and the Caribbean visit of Britain's Queen Elizabeth.

ABC Latin American correspondent **Merwin Sigale**, cameraman Steve Stanford and soundman Bob Sullivan covered the March elections in Guatemala and Colombia, with a stop in Panama for several stories. Miami-based **Jules Dubois** of the Chicago Tribune, Ed Reingold of

FREEMAN CALLS HUNGER CRISIS BIGGEST STORY

By ED EDWIN

A social holocaust claiming more lives than all of the armed conflict in history was foreseen by US Secretary of Agriculture, Orville Freeman, who spoke before an OPC Newsmaker Lunch. The ultimate tragedy of mass global famine, he said, is rapidly approaching. Freeman thus signalled editors that a war on starvation could become a most significant news story in the coming decade.

Famine itself was not so much viewed as news as "the magnitude of the impending hunger crisis." World agricultural production is hardly gaining, while populations are expanding. Symbolically, Freeman selected 1984 as the year by which a turnaround in the food situation must occur, or the Orwellian specter, which he depicted, will be reality.

A factor analysis supports his projection.

Population explosion: Only one billion people inhabited the world in 1900. So far in this century — a scant 65 years — an additional two billion people are eating. "Still another billion," the Secretary said, "will be added in the very next 15 years." By the turn of the new century, the total will be 6 billions — double that of today.

Food production: Total world-wide food production in 1965 was no greater than in 1964, "while there were 63 million more mouths to feed."

Regions of the gap: "The most alarming aspect of the population explosion," according to Freeman, "is this: 8 per cent (of it) is taking place in those countries least able to support it . . . It is now clearly apparent that by 1984 all of the combined food production on all the acres of the agriculturally productive nations will not meet the food requirements of less developed countries." Birth rates in food-deficient regions are nearly double those of advanced countries — a ratio of 22.4 per cent to 12.8 per cent.

Present nutritional state: The UN Food and Agriculture Organization estimates that on the three lesser developed continents — Africa, Asia, and South America — 1.5 billion people currently are undernourished or malnourished. That figure constitutes about one-half of the current population of the world.

Public health irony: Medical and nutritional progress has cut the rates of infant and mid-life mortality. In Ceylon, the Secretary noted, "the death rate was reduced by 40 per cent in a single year through the use of DDT in malaria con-



ANSWERS: Secretary of Agriculture Orville Freeman ponders an answer for the interviewing CBS Radio man, Steve Flanders.

trol." Projects not mentioned by Freeman — notably one aimed at discovering a cure for the last massive scourge on earth — will, if successful, extend longevity.

Prestige projects waste: "In too many instances," Freeman stated, "the dependent nations have postponed the vitalization of indigenous agricultural programs in favor of less important but visually more spectacular developments — buildings, dams, industrial plants, and the like." Applying historical analysis, Freeman emphasized that advanced societies, notably including the United States, had succeeded in industrializing only after achieving agricultural surpluses. Such farm surpluses, in effect, nourish for industrial growth.

Freeman became yet another leader implying before the OPC that socioeconomic struggles may be the central fact of our time. He conceded that their details are complex — possibly a hint that it may be difficult to produce readable copy or TV film on these subjects. (Previous spokesmen have observed how headlines and TV footage tended to focus on military combat or other violence.)

If grisliness, however, is a criterion of newsworthiness, Freeman's phraseology left no doubt about the potential in this onrushing situation. He envisioned "old people in India toppling on the streets to die of starvation before the numbed gaze of those who might yet live another hour, another day, another month . . . The grim figure of famine gallops across the earth astride his legendary black horse in a race with man's ability to feed himself."

If Freeman appeared a conveyor of horrendous tidings, he was, compared with some other authorities, an understater. Gunnar Myrdal sets arrival date

of the ultimate calamity in five to ten years, if the food gap is not closed. (In his *American Dilemma*, Myrdal, it will be recalled, detailed factors in American race relations which dominated news coverage more than a decade later.)

Developing countries were admonished by Freeman not to accept casually American commitments to feed their peoples. Among his reasons was another story, still incredible to many.

"There are no more food surpluses in the United States," he affirmed.

This country now possesses only contingency foodstuff reserves. He thereby quashed any notion that recipient governments do the United States a favor by taking its farm produce. Freeman warned further that soon the United States, even applying new technologies and replanting idled lands, will cultivate at capacity. By that time mankind will confront "the catastrophe of a world that literally has run out of food."

The only option remaining to lesser developed countries is to get self-help projects underway. The United States, through its new Food for Freedom program, will help. Dependent countries must, Freeman also said, couple improved agriculture with "a conscientious population control program."

Looking at the other side of the coin, Freeman counselled against possible American neo-isolationism when this country is surrounded by starving humanity. By 1984, when "mankind will be short of minimal food supplies," he said, "the United States, the new 'Breadbasket of the World,' may be sorely tempted to retreat to Fortress America and turn its back on the world. We know," he continued, "there can be no (such) security in a world gone mad."

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Awards

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CLASS 5. Best magazine reporting from abroad — Michael Mok, associate editor, and Paul Schutzer, photographer, of *Life Magazine*, for their joint effort, "In They Go to the Reality of War," a story on Viet Nam.

Citation to Max Ascoli, editor, and the staff of *The Reporter*, for all-around excellence in magazine reporting and interpretation.

CLASS 6. Best interpretation of foreign affairs, daily newspaper or wire wire service — Jack Foisie, Viet Nam bureau chief for *The Los Angeles Times*, for his distinguished interpretation of Vietnamese developments, including the strategic and diplomatic aspects of US involvement.

Citation to *The Wall Street Journal*, with a special mention to Philip Geylin, foreign affairs commentator, for superior interpretation of foreign affairs.

CLASS 7a. Best interpretation of foreign affairs, radio: — Edward P. Morgan, ABC Radio, for his three-week series of nightly broadcasts from half a dozen Communist capitals in Eastern Europe.

CLASS 7b. Best interpretation of foreign affairs, television — Fred Freed, producer of NBC News' "White Paper" series, for "American White Paper: United States Foreign Policy," a 3½-hour special.

Citation to Howard K. Smith, ABC News, for his penetrating commentaries on news from abroad.

CLASS 8. Best interpretation of foreign affairs, magazines — A. M. Rosenthal, metropolitan editor, *The New York Times*, for two articles, "The Taste of Life in Hiroshima Now" and "Forgive Them Not, For They Knew What They Did" (on the Warsaw Ghetto).

Citation to editor Max Ascoli and the staff of *The Reporter* (twin citation in classes 5 and 8).

CLASS 9. Best book on foreign affairs — Robert Shaplen, for *The Lost Revolution* (Harper & Row) a definitive exposition of challenges in Viet Nam.

Citation to Don Cook, *New York Herald Tribune* chief European correspondent, for his *Floodtide in Europe* (Putnam).

CLASS 10. Ed Stout Award for best article or report on Latin America, any medium (\$500 honorarium) — Producer-Director Ted Yates and his NBC News team, for their "Santo Domingo: War Among Friends." Members of the news crew include cameramen Dexter Alley and Richard Norling, soundman Al Hoagland, scriptwriter Bob Rogers and narrator Wilson Hall.

Citation to Tad Szulc, *New York Times*, for his reports on the Dominican Republic in *The Times*, *Saturday Evening Post*, and his book, *Dominican Diary*.

CLASS 11. E. W. Fairchild Award for best business news reporting from any medium (\$500 honorarium) — Bernard Nossiter, European economics correspondent, *The Washington Post*, for his reports on international monetary developments.

Citation to Ray Vicker, news editor in charge of European coverage, *Wall Street Journal*, for covering business in depth.

CLASS 12. Robert Capa Award for superlative photography, still or motion, requiring exceptional courage and enterprise abroad (gold medal) — Larry Burrows, *Life*, for "With a Brave Crew in a Deadly Flight," photographed on board a helicopter in Viet Nam.

Citation to James A. Bourdier, AP, for photos in the Dominican Republic

(also cited in Class 2).

CLASS 13. George Polk Memorial Award for best reporting, any medium, requiring exceptional courage and enterprise abroad (\$500 honorarium) — Morley Safer, CBS News, and two camera-sound crews, for two films shot in Viet Nam. Safer worked with photographer Ha Thuc Can and soundman Tran



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Huu Thien on "The Burning of the Village of Cam Ne"; with photographer James Wilson and soundman Bob Funk on "The Helicopter and the Dying Soldier." (Safer also was winner in Class 3.)



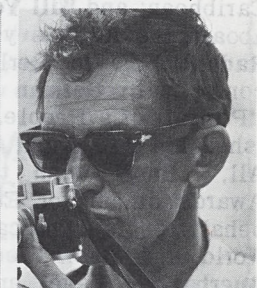
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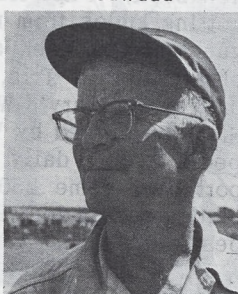
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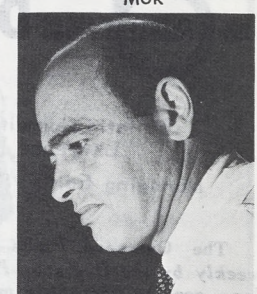
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TO RECALL EVENTFUL APRIL IN KOREA

Fifteen years ago this month, United Nations troops pushed the Chinese back across the 38th Parallel, President Truman removed General MacArthur from his Korean command and — during the last week in April — UN soldiers stopped the Chinese offensive in war-torn Korea.

In observance of that eventful April of 1951, the OPC is sponsoring a "Korean Correspondents Reunion" at the Club next Friday,

April 29. War correspondents and military PIO's who served in Korea are invited to attend along with OPC members. Cocktails at 6:00 p.m., dinner at 7:30 p.m. Reservations are required.

Guests that night will include Admiral Arthur D. Struble, commander of the 7th Fleet; former US Ambassador to the United Nations Ernest A. Gross; General Lewis B. "Chesty" Puller, the famed Marine Corps com-

mander; General John T. Corley, of the 25th Division, and Colonel Francis S. Gabreski, the leading air ace of the Korean War.

Among correspondents scheduled to take part in the Korean Reunion program: *Hal Boyle*, *Stan Swinton*, *Relman "Pat" Morin* and *Max Desfor*, all of the AP; *Carl Mydans* and *Jim Bell*, *Time-Life*; *Dick Johnston* and *Harold Faber*, *New York Times*. *Bill Downs*, ABC commentator in Washington, will serve as moderator.



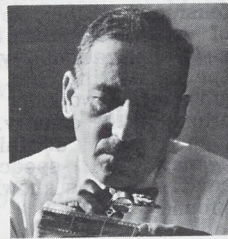
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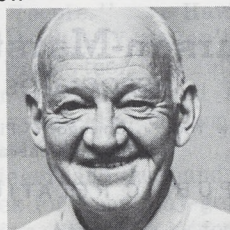
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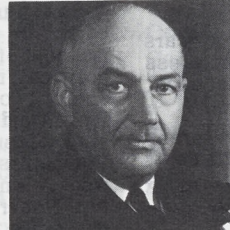
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FREEMAN

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The goal clearly must be, he concluded, "achieving global plenty."

Another sub-story was indicated when Freeman specified Latin America as the only region remaining where vast acreage can still be exploited. He apparently thought of such areas as the vast river-jungle plains of northeastern Colombia, where tropical disease control has made possible agricultural "colonizing."

And the weekend after Freeman's talk, in Mexico City, President Johnson pointedly addressed himself three times to the concept that industrialization "urgently requires the parallel modernization of rural life . . . and all the measures that are needed to . . . lift the blight of hunger." Then he left the First Lady in Mexico to visit a model agricultural research and education center at Chapingo.

Although the announced purpose of Johnson's first foreign visit since acceding to the Presidency was to help dedicate a Lincoln statue, his economic diplomacy was also obvious. The current annual growth rate in Latin America is but 2½ per cent. But that of Mexico soared by 10 per cent in 1964, with

a higher increase anticipated this year — a feasibility challenge for the rest of Latin America. President Johnson habitually demonstrates appreciation of such economic data.

Reporters occupied two press tables at the Freeman lunch. Representing foreign media were 3 Indians, 1 Pakistani, 1 Ghanian, 1 Korean, and a cultural representative from the Philippines. *Joseph Newman* recalled that Freeman spoke in the old Clubhouse in 1958, at which time he named 22 Minnesota lakes after OPC members native of the state, and presented them with lifetime fishing licenses. Freeman served three times as Minnesota Governor. Others at the dais were John B. Orr, FAO liaison director; Maurice Green, assistant FAO director; John McDonnell, director of public relations for the Department of Agriculture; *Richard Barr*, and *James Sheldon*.

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